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TAGS: EAID, EFIN, EAGR, PO

SUBJECT: IFAD: RATIFICATION, TOP MANAGEMENT, AND SITE

REF: STATE 53953

1. EMBOFF RAISED POINTS OF REFTEL IN MARCH 21 MEETING WITH  
FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC  
AFFAIRS, MANUEL BARREIRO MARTINS.

2. MARTINS SAID THAT GOP HAD BEEN REPRESENTED AT PRELIMINARY  
MEETING ON IFAD. HOWEVER, IT HAS LITTLE INTEREST IN OR  
POSSIBILITY FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION. HE NOTED WISTFULLY  
THAT PORTUGAL COULD BE (NOR, INDEED, ANY LONGER WANTED  
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TO BE) ACCEPTED AS A CATEGORY III COUNTRY. BUT, AS A  
CATEGORY I NATION, IT COULD NOT PROVIDE MORE THAN TOKEN  
PARTICIPATION. MARTINS ALSO NOTED THAT PORTUGAL NEEDED  
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE ALMOST AS MUCH AS SOME  
"DEVELOPING" COUNTRIES.

3. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL MADE IT CLEAR THAT EVEN

"TOKEN" GOP PARTICIPATION IN IFAD WOULD REQUIRE A "POLITICAL" DECISION. HE SAID THAT FINANCE AND AGRICULTURE MINISTRIES (ESPECIALLY FORMER) ARE OPPOSED TO ANY GOP CONTRIBUTION. LIMITED GOP FUNDS MUST BE RESERVED FOR PROMISED ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGAL'S FORMER COLONIES. IN BEST OF CASES, FATIFICATION BY PORTUGAL WOULD TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME. WITHOUT POLITICAL DECISION, IT PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE DONE.

4. COMMENT: THROUGH REPEATED REFERENCE TO NEEDED "POLITICAL" DECISION, FON MIN OFFICIAL ALMOST SEEMED TO BE INVITING US TO APPLY PRESSURE ON GOP TO TAKE SUCH A DECISION.

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